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A wrongdoer is often a man that has left something undone, not always he that has done something.—Marcus Aurelius.

## WHERE IS THE FIGHTING SPIRIT?

The sugar tariff is under the heaviest fire it has ever experienced. The Democratic party, pledged to revision downward, is going to make sugar the "goat" if there is the slightest chance of doing so. The Democratic House, already on record as having passed a free-sugar bill, is in political duty bound to reaffirm its position and put the fight up to the senate.

Menaced by attacks from within and without, the sugar schedule needs support, staunch support, too, by its friends, not to set up a fictitious or misleading defense but to tear down the fictitious and misleading structure of the enemy's attack.

From without, all the foes of protection in general, all the beneficiaries of other tariffs who wish public attention drawn from their own industries, all the wire-pulling politicians who hope to continue in power on the basis of a tariff-revision record,—all are sharpening the axe of sugar.

From within, the mythical National Grocers' Association with its hypocritical cry of "cheap sugar for the common people" is preparing to renew its activity of a year ago.

From within, the sugar trust is using every persuasive argument in an effort to prove that a removal or reduction of the duties means a lowering in the price of refined sugar to the consumer.

What is Hawaii going to do? What is this territory going to put forward in defense of the industry that spells prosperity for the country?

Hawaii may be sure that other sugar-producing sections are not standing idle in the face of present assaults.

The Colorado beet-sugar men are sending delegations to Washington and in these delegations are the biggest and brainiest men in Colorado's sugar industry.

The Louisiana cane-sugar men are sending delegations to Washington and the men who will fight for Louisiana are men whose abilities, personalities and position in the business world command respect everywhere.

Other states in which sugar is produced are preparing to send leading representatives of the sugar business to Washington to fight against a slash in duties.

What is Hawaii going to do? George Fairchild came back from Washington a few months ago with the significant remark that Hawaii needs to send men to Washington to defend sugar against the insidious attacks within and without. And that is exactly what Hawaii needs to do.

The men that Hawaii looks to now are men who are the leaders in Hawaii's sugar industry, such men as J. P. Cooke, E. F. Bishop, E. D. Tenney. The presence of a paid attorney in Washington is not sufficient to reassure the thousands of people in Hawaii to whom disaster to sugar means personal disaster. Louisiana and Colorado recognize the need of sending to Washington men who are leaders in the sugar industry of those states. And Hawaii up to the present time has made little move to indicate its overwhelming dependence on the tariff. If such men as the three mentioned above would go to Washington, camp there for six weeks or two months or three months if necessary, appear as the personal representatives not only of the sugar industry here but of the people of Hawaii, they would command attention from Congress that no paid attorney can command.

Delegate Kuhio, it is true, is on the ground. But mainland states have not found their elected representatives sufficient. Hawaii may not find Kuhio strong enough to fight for Hawaii's industry as it must be fought for in this crisis.

The Star-Bulletin has considerable confidence in advices from Washington that the senate will block radical free-sugar moves. But Hawaii has no right to assume that the senate is going to fight a serious battle of this kind without direct help and moral support from the communities affected. As a matter of fact, where the situation is as delicate as the present one, Hawaii has no right to assume anything in the way of blind security.

There is not a committee of Congress, there is not a senator or representative that will not listen to a man who talks straight from the shoulder in defense of his territory, his business, his home. That kind of talk is what is needed now. There will be attacks made on Hawaiian

affairs by congressmen who do not know the situation. Then it is for men directly from Hawaii, men who are known to speak with authority, to rise to the support of Hawaii's name and Hawaii's business integrity.

The "big sugar men" may view the situation with the calmness of certainty that there will be tariff revision anyway and nothing can stop it. But the thousands of small stockholders in Hawaii feel that someone should be at the front fighting for their interests. It is for these thousands of small holders of sugar stock that action should be taken now. The apathy of Hawaii's sugar men is appalling, it is incredible.

The men that go from Hawaii to Washington should not go merely as representatives of a firm of factors or of the Planters' Association. They should go also as representatives of a community that will feel at once the blow of any serious tariff revision. They should go, as they may with perfect propriety, to speak on behalf of 200,000 people whose prosperity is bound up in the prosperity of sugar.

## THE DYNAMITERS OF ORGANIZED LABOR

In the conviction of thirty-eight union labor leaders in Indianapolis this morning, the McNamara case is equaled in sensation and outdone in seriousness.

The arrest of the McNamaras and their subsequent plea of guilty to the charge of dynamiting the Los Angeles Times building broke upon the public consciousness with the greater shock, because up to the time that Le Compte Davis, attorney for the two brothers, rose white-faced from his seat in the Los Angeles courtroom and pleaded guilty for them, half of the country had believed in their innocence with a blind faith that approached fanaticism. Union labor had refused to credit the charges of the state and had made counter-charges that the McNamaras were victims of a capitalist plot.

The McNamara case furnished the greater immediate shock. Yet the Indianapolis case is of vastly more importance. The McNamaras might have been individuals with a grudge against capitalism, venting their spite in dynamiting buildings at various parts of the country. The scope of their plot might have been small. It was possible that the "higher-ups" in the Structural Ironworkers' Union and in the American Federation of Labor had no knowledge of the anarchistic things going on within their ranks.

But with the conviction of these thirty-eight men in Indianapolis there is disclosed a wide-spread and sinister plot from the significance of which the sane mind recoils in horror. There is no longer doubt that the McNamaras were but the tools of the "higher-ups". There is no doubt that the guilt extends like the subtle poison of a bodily wound, from the surface into the veins and arteries of organized labor. Frank Ryan, president of the ironworkers, is one of union labor's most prominent officials. Herbert S. Hokin, secretary of the same union, is one of the trusted "inside" men of unionism. Eugene Clancy of San Francisco is high in trades union circles on the coast and a well-known figure in the councils of the American Federation of Labor. Olaf A. Tveitmo of San Francisco is not only a leader in labor circles, but head of the Asiatic Exclusion league, familiar up and down the coast as a rabid partisan for what he calls "white America."

The McNamara case is not a complete episode in itself. It is but a step on the path of shameful violence that many of the foremost unionists have followed in their program of destruction for those who oppose them. The McNamara case opened the way for the present convictions. Who can say but that the Indianapolis case will force further revelations from the now terrified leaders?

Fortunately for America, it is not unionism in general that is guilty of these terrible crimes now brought home to those under trial on the mainland. The thousands and hundreds of thousands of men in organized labor have had no knowledge of the secret offenses of their leaders. Organized labor will purge itself of the taint of the dynamite conspiracy, though the purging shake the American Federation of Labor to its foundations.

"Mexican Rebels Are Defeated Officially" says a newspaper headline. They have been defeated officially for more than a year, but unofficially they have remained quite active.

Next in order are New Year resolutions.

Beware the tariff tides of March!

## BIG SISTERS' WORK IS SPREADING

Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr., founder of the "Big Sisters," an organization to care for Protestant children, particularly girls, who are homeless, wayward or lacking in proper guardianship, will announce a gift of \$500,000 endowment fund, and an additional \$150,000 for the erection of a building for the objects of her philanthropy.

The annual meeting of the society in New York a few days ago was preceded with the above announcement. Where the building will be erected is not definitely known; rumor places the site either on Long Island or in Westchester.

As unofficially outlined, the plan is to employ investigators who will investigate the cases of prospective recipients of the benefits of the society. That will widen the work's scope, for at present the girls now being cared for are drawn from the numerous pitiable cases that come within the jurisdiction of the Children's Court. Every borough in the city will be considered. The new home will accommodate 150 children, it is said.

The society—its inception in 1911 inspired by the success of the "Big Brothers" movement—was incorporated last June. The original incorporators were Mrs. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Willard D. Straight, who was Dorothy Whitney; Mrs. Lewis Morris, Mrs. William May Wright, Mrs. Samuel S. Sands, Jr., daughter of Mrs. Vanderbilt by a former marriage, and Mrs. W. M. Evans, who resigned as probation officer in the Children's Court to become secretary of the organization.

It is thought that the "Big Sisters" will be placed on a permanent basis through the \$500,000 gift, the details of which are still to come, but probably not before the building is under way.

From the time that the movement was merely in thought its development has been kept successfully from public attention. Day after day society women went to the Children's Court in New York and, becoming interested in striking cases, made it a practice to investigate and, where investigation proved court recitals true, to do something for the unfortunate children.

The problem of properly caring for the girls was discouraging and presented unusual prospects of final failure. For this reason it was not deemed wise to plan too largely until the months would show toward what point the project was heading.

Some sort of home was of course necessary even from the start, so William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., offered to Mrs. Vanderbilt, Sr., a large farmhouse on his estate, Deepdale, on Long Island. This was speedily converted into the character of building temporarily desired, and the girls, where urgency demanded, were taken there. There is not, so far as is known, one of the unfortunates who was not imbued with new hope and an ambition that soon predicted success in the work. Several girls were reformed and sent to their homes, and others, orphans, sent to school.

The farmhouse was burned last September, without injuring any one. That misfortune was not threatening, however, for a house some distance away was rented and the children placed there. For a time much attention was paid to a suggestion that a new building be erected at Deepdale, but the property is to be sold, and with the society's field growing more extensive, permanency, it was at length concluded, would be the only judicious plan.

## Old Doc's Talk

### FRIENDS

My son, if you have friends, keep them by all means. Use reciprocity or any other treaty that may be mutually agreeable, but in this day and age you had better avoid grappling anyone with "hooks of steel." Such instruments may have done in Shakespeare's time. The public is against any trust connected with steel.

It seems to be more the fashion now to buttonhole your friends and see if they can't recommend you for the governorship. But, my boy, if you are really looking for material benefits, let your enemies boost you. They'll do it free of charge and much better than your friends can. They won't place you under any obligations, either, nor spare any trouble to have your name advertised from the house-tops.

It occurred to me the other night, my son, that friends are in many ways like the clothes we wear, and, yielding to a habit of mine, I have made verse of the matter:

Friends are like clothes.—  
Some shrink and fade;  
They always fit as they are made.  
And some are shoddy, I'm afraid,—  
As the world goes!

Friends are like clothes.—  
Some old, some new,  
Of every color, tint and hue;  
English or Irish, Dutch or Jew,—  
As the world goes!

Friends are like clothes.—  
Some dull, some bright;  
Spotted and freckled, dark or light;  
Some fitting closely, others tight,—  
As the world goes!

Friends are like clothes.—  
Silk, cotton, linen, wool,  
Some lengthen after while, some "full."  
A few are valued for a "pull"—  
As the world goes!

Friends are like clothes.—  
Some long and some short,  
Some straight and some crooked,  
Some fit and some don't,—  
As the world goes!

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## Watch Cleaning

is very necessary to preserve the accuracy and longevity of a good timepiece;—it should be cleaned once a year.

The first of the new year is a good time to bring your watch in—and an easy date to remember for the next cleaning.



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worth rendered valuable aid in the Wilson Democratic campaign. He is a passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Persia.

WILLIAM M. LANGTON, editor of the *Paradise of the Pacific*, Honolulu's illustrated monthly, is in San Francisco and has brought with him a few copies of the Christmas number of the monthly. The Christmas edition is one of the most attractive exponents of Hawaii's attractions ever printed, being rife with interesting articles and beautiful pictures of the unsurpassed scenes of the mid-Pacific island territory.—San Francisco Call, Dec. 19.

EDWIN K. FERNANDEZ, one of the best-known athletes of Honolulu, arrived on the Sierra yesterday and registered at the Stewart. Fernandez is a swimmer and diver of note, an expert surfer, and played first base on the champion Diamond Head Athletic Club baseball team for several years. He was formerly a football player. He is on a business trip to the east and will visit Southern California on his way back to San Francisco and Honolulu.—San Francisco Examiner.

Mexican rebels have burned 45 trestles on the American-owned Mexican Northwestern railway below Jaurez.

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